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SUBJECT: CCMS: SPRING PLENARY - NEW PROJECT IDEAS

1. AT THE PLENARY THE U.S. PLANS TO DISCUSS INFORMALLY  
WITH OTHER DELEGATIONS SEVERAL IDEAS FOR POSSIBLE NEW  
PROJECTS. NO FORMAL PROPOSALS WILL BE MADE, BUT THE U.S.  
WILL CIRCULATE TENTATIVE PROJECT CONCEPTS AND OBJECTIVES  
TO ELICIT ALLIED REACTIONS. U.S. IS EQUALLY INTERESTED  
IN ALLIES' IDEAS FOR POTENTIAL PROJECTS. (FYI: WE WOULD  
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LIKE TO SEE THE PROPORTION OF NON-U.S. LED STUDIES  
INCREASE OVER THE CURRENT RATIO. WE WOULD BE VERY SUPPOR-  
TIVE OF ALLIED INITIATIVES IN TERMS OF ACTIVE US  
PARTICIPATION.)

2. THE TENTATIVE U.S. PROPOSALS WILL BE IN THE FOLLOWING  
AREAS:

-- A. RECYCLING PCV WASTES AND WASTE-TO-ENERGY TECHNOLOGY.  
-- B. POSSIBLE OPTIONS ARE: TECHNICALLY ORIENTED WORK ON RECYCLING OF INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRODUCTS IN MANUFACTURING PROCESSES (A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL ON THE RECYCLING OF PCV'S WILL BE CIRCULATED); A STUDY OF THE CO-LOCATION OF WASTE TREATMENT FACILITIES AND FACTORIES IN A MANNER TO ACHIEVE SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIPS INVOLVING WASTES AND FEEDSTOCKS; AND TREATMENT OF

HAZARDOUS WASTES FOR RE-USE, INCLUDING THE CONVERSION OF WASTE TO ENERGY.

-- B. LAND BASED SOURCES OF MARINE POLLUTION.

-- WE HOPE TO GAUGE ALLIED INTEREST IN A SPECIFIC, SCIENTIFICALLY BASED PROJECT WHICH MIGHT INVOLVE ANY ONE OF SEVERAL OPTIONS: (1) VALIDATION OF VARIOUS APPROACHES TO MONITORING AND ASSESSING THE IMPACT OF SELECTED POLLUTANTS ON THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT, (2) EVALUATION OF THE EFFECTS OF CERTAIN TYPES OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES ON MARINE LIFE AND THE FOOD CHAIN, AND (3) AN EFFORT TO ASSESS TECHNIQUES THAT PURPORT TO QUANTIFY THE VOLUME OF EXCHANGE BETWEEN AIR, LAND, ESTUARINE, AND OCEAN AREAS.

-- C. MANAGEMENT APPROACHES TO POLLUTION CONTROL.

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-- THE US IS INTERESTED IN TESTING THE APPLICABILITY OF A "CARRYING CAPACITY" CONCEPT IN A VARIETY OF LOCALITIES AS A BASIS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND LAND-USE DECISION MAKING. WE ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN A STUDY OF THE COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE USE OF VARIOUS INCENTIVES IN ENHANCING THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OF PRESCRIBED AREAS.

-- D. IN THE ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTION AREA, THE US WOULD LIKE TO GET ALLIED REACTION TO SEVERAL PROJECT IDEAS: IDENTIFICATION OF RADIATION HAZARDS INVOLVED IN FREQUENT AIR TRAVEL, INCLUDING TECHNIQUES OF RISK ASSESSMENT; IMPACT ON CLIMATE OF CERTAIN POLLUTANTS; AND THE DIFFICULTY OF MAKING REGULATORY DECISIONS REGARDING DIFFERENT LEVELS OF CONTROLS FOR VARIOUS SOURCES OF OZONE REDUCTION.

3. IN ALL INSTANCES, THE US PROJECT IDEAS WOULD INVOLVE THE TECHNICAL OR ANALYTIC-METHODOLOGY ORIENTED APPROACH THAT HAS PROVED MOST SUCCESSFUL FOR THE CCMS PILOT STUDY MECHANISM. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IN INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS IN WHICH OF THE ABOVE AREAS THERE IS SUFFICIENT

INTEREST TO WARRANT CALLING FOR AN EXPERTS MEETING LATER

IN THE YEAR TO DRAFT PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR THE FALL  
PLENARY. IF ACCEPTED AS IDEAS FOR PILOT STUDIES, CCMS  
WILL CLOSELY COORDINATE DEVELOPMENT OF WORK PLANS WITH  
THE ACTIVITIES OF OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED:

FOR ALL POSTS: EMBASSY CCMS OFFICERS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE  
THIS BRIEF OUTLINE OF NEW PROJECT IDEAS TO NATIONAL CCMS  
COORDINATORS AND ADVISE THEM THAT US WILL HAVE MORE  
DETAILS AT THE PLENARY. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY INDICA-  
TIONS THAT HOST GOVERNMENTS HAVE SIMILAR TENTATIVE PRO-  
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JECT PROPOSALS.

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